FROM FANS TO FANS. CONSIDER SUPPORTING THE AUTHOR ONCE THE ORIGINAL VERSION IS AVAILABLE IN YOUR COUNTRY.

SFX: GLINT

SFX: DASH
SFX: THUD
UWAAAH!
THUMP
AH...
BAAAM
OH?
S-SAVED...
IT'S ALREADY ON THE VERGE OF DEATH.

YES. I'LL BE WAITING OUTSIDE, OKAY?
ACARIA, ARE YOU OKAY WITH ONLY A DRINK?
SIGH
EVER SINCE I STARTED TRAVELLING WITH DIROS, IT'S ALL BEEN ONE BIG TALE OF ME HAVING TO BE SAVED...
THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT I'M SLOWING THINGS DOWN...
TODAY ALSO ENDED UP WITH ME HAVING TO BE SAVED...
IT WOULD BE SO NICE IF I WAS ABLE USE MAGIC JUST LIKE MATORI!..
I WONDER WHY I CAN'T DO IT...

MAYBE EVERYONE THINKS I'M JUST SOME UNRELIABLE GIRL.
IT CAN'T KEEP BEING LIKE THIS...
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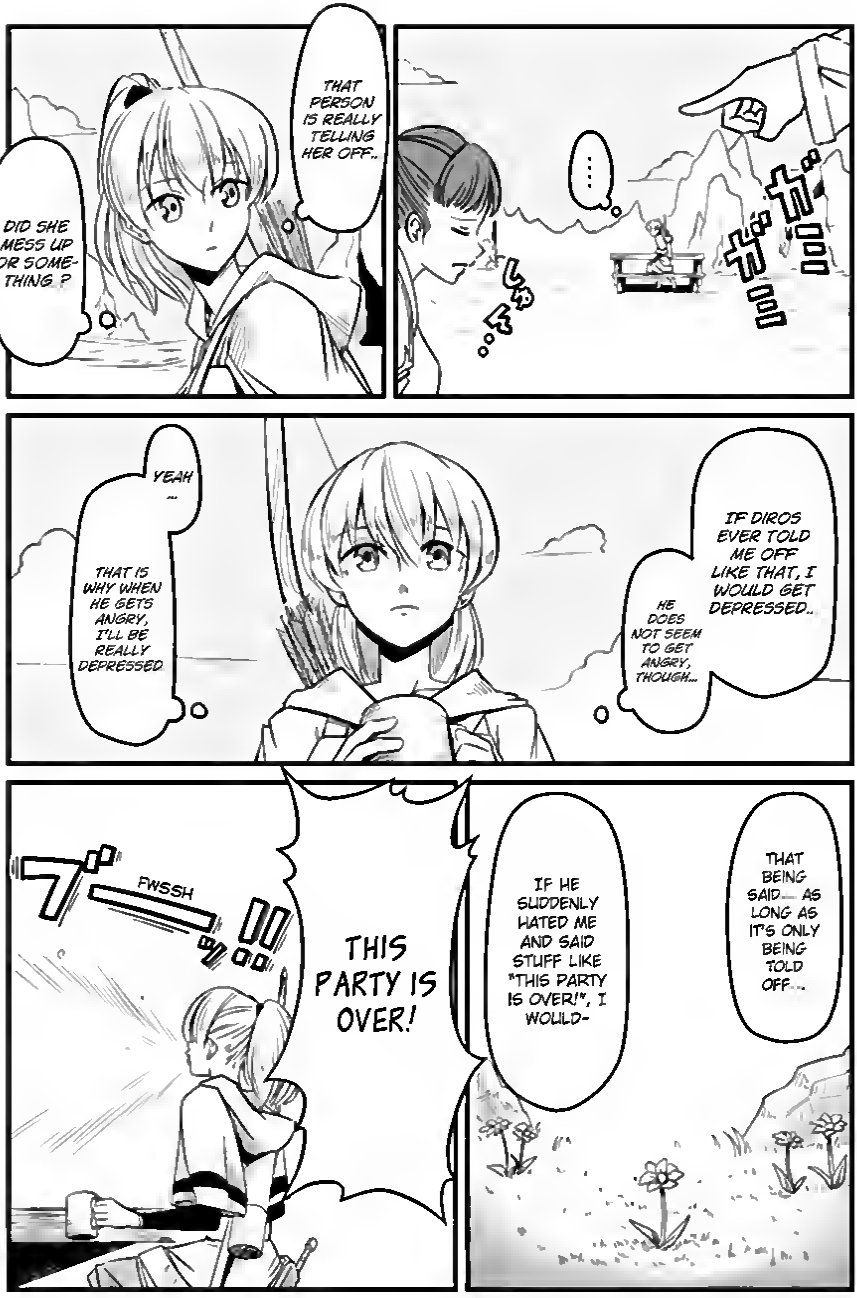
YOU USELESS THING!
O-OTHER ADVENTURERS ...?
AAH... THAT SURPRISED ME...


THAT PERSON IS REALLY TELLING HER OFF..
DID SHE MESS UP OR SOMETHING ?
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...
IF DIROS EVER TOLD ME OFF LIKE THAT, I WOULD GET DEPRESSED..
HE DOES NOT SEEM TO GET ANGRY, THOUGH...
YEAH ...
THAT IS WHY WHEN HE GETS ANGRY, I'LL BE REALLY DEPRESSED
THAT BEING SAID— AS LONG AS IT'S ONLY BEING TOLD OFF...
IF HE SUDDENLY HATED ME AND SAID STUFF LIKE "THIS PARTY IS OVER!", I WOULD-
THIS PARTY IS OVER!
PWSSH
!!

HEY! THAT IS TOO MUCH!
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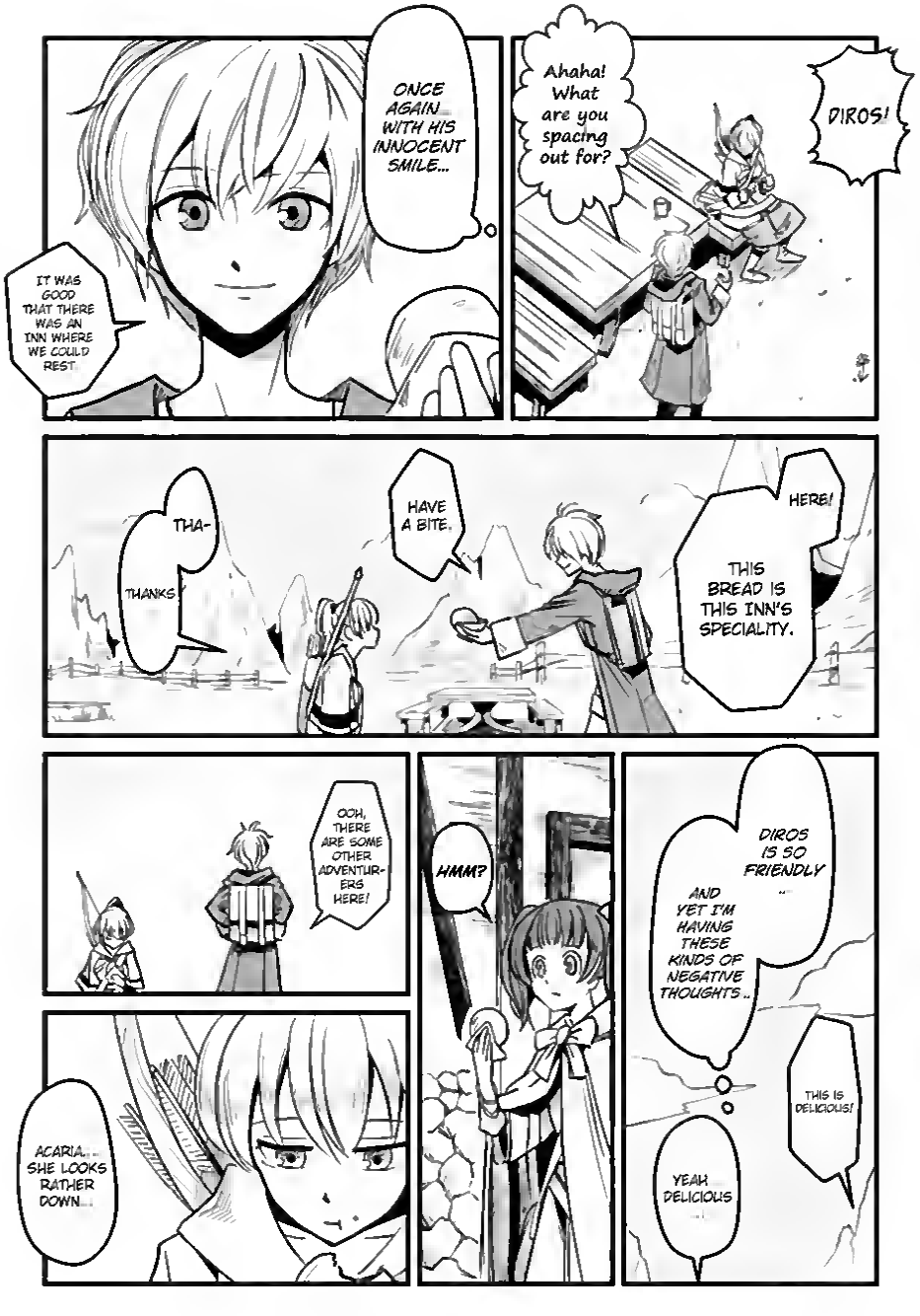
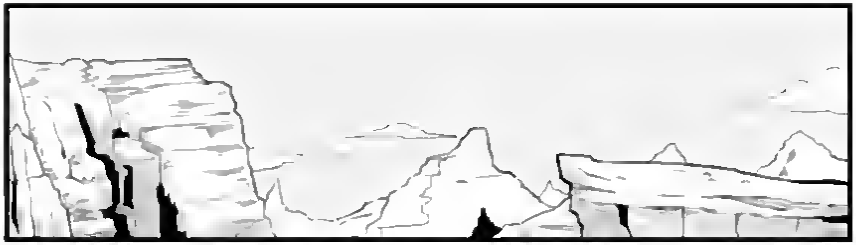
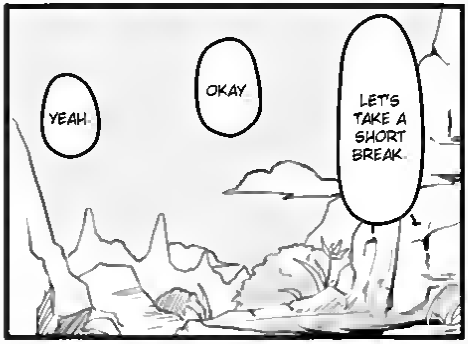
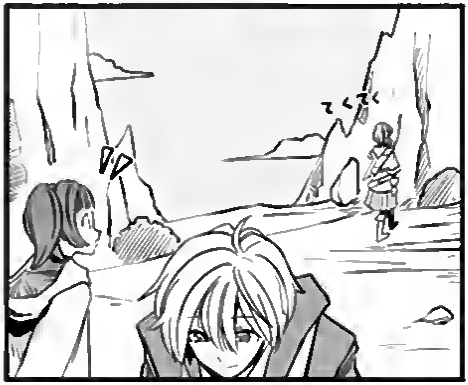
DAMN RIGHT!
I DON'T KNOW THE CIRCUM-STANCES BUT THAT IS GOING TOO FAR!!
OH NO... NOW SHE IS CRYING!
Uwaa ~
I UNDER-STAND HER! I WOULD PROBABLY ALSO CRY!
OI YOU! PLEASE! HOW ABOUT TALKING TOGETHER A LITTLE MORE CALMLY!
Hmf
Hmf
ACTUALLY, WHY ARE YOU LOOKING SO ANGRY?!
HMM... IT HURTS MY SOUL.
Sneak
BOO!
ARRRGH!


IT WAS GOOD THAT THERE WAS AN INN WHERE WE COULD REST.
ONCE AGAIN... WITH HIS INNOCENT SMILE...
Ahaha! What are you spacing out for?
DIROS!
THA-
THANKS!
HAVE A BITE.
HERE!
THIS BREAD IS THIS INN'S SPECIALITY.
OOH, THERE ARE SOME OTHER ADVENTURERS HERE!
HMM?
DIROS IS SO FRIENDLY...
AND YET I'M HAVING THESE KINDS OF NEGATIVE THOUGHTS...
THIS IS DELICIOUS!
YEAH, DELICIOUS...
ACARIA... SHE LOOKS RATHER DOWN...




YEAH.
OKAY.
LET'S TAKE A SHORT BREAK.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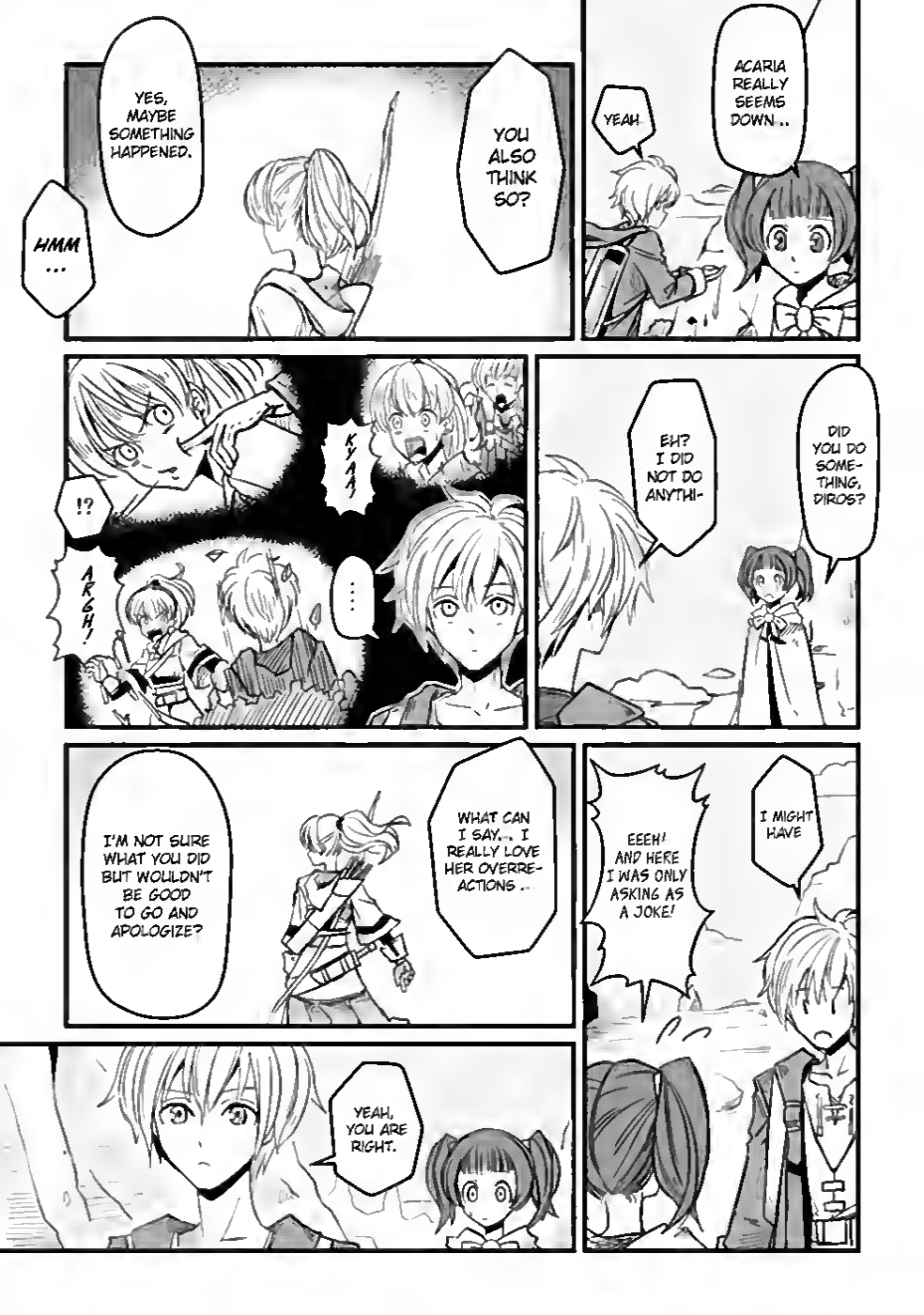
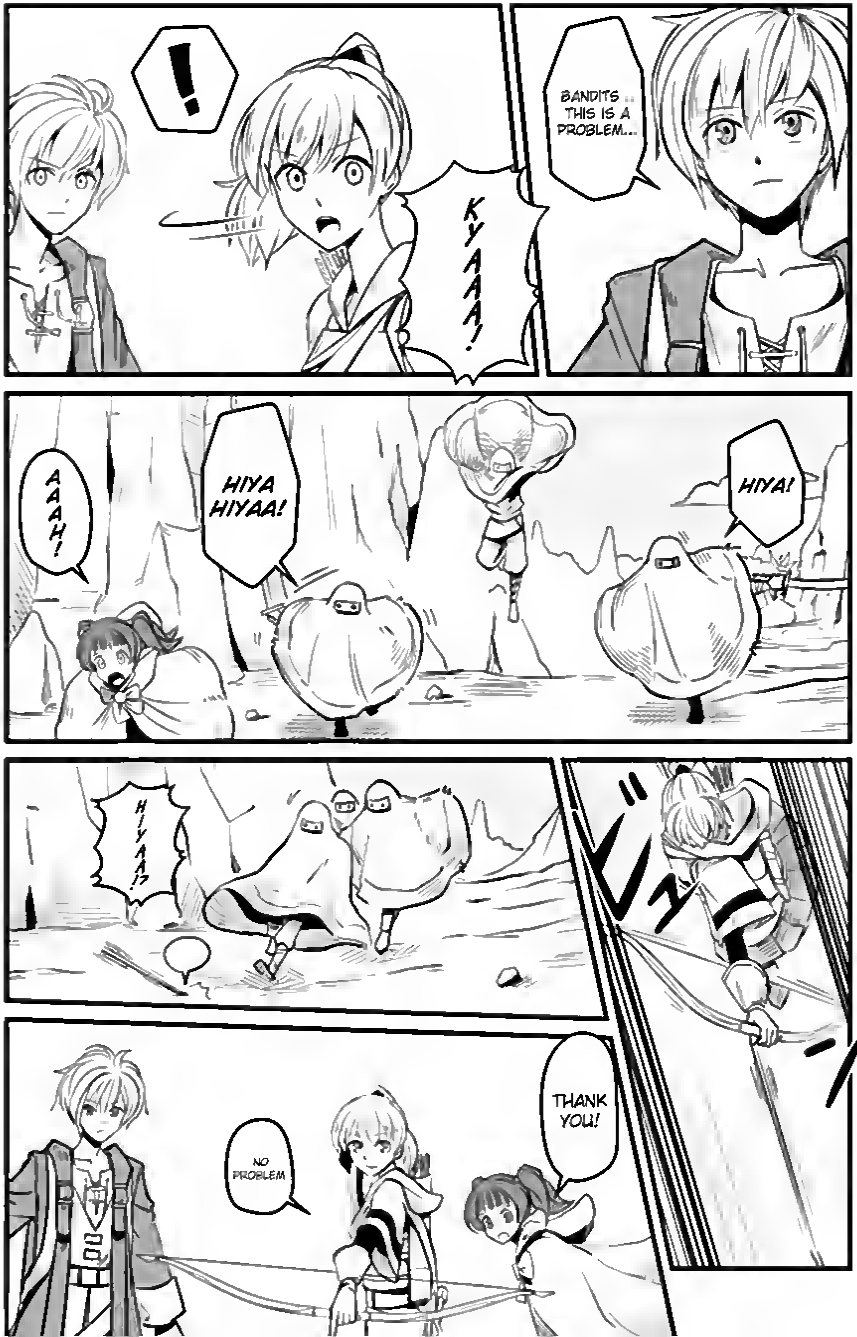
ONCE WE HAVE PASSED THROUGH HERE, THERE IS A VILLAGE
OKAY, JUST A LITTLE MORE.
SIGH


ACARIA REALLY SEEMS DOWN..
YEAH
DID YOU DO SOMETHING, DIROS?
EH? I DID NOT DO ANYTHI-
KYAA!
!?
ARGH!
...
YOU ALSO THINK SO?
YES, MAYBE SOMETHING HAPPENED.
HMM...
I MIGHT HAVE
EEEH! AND HERE I WAS ONLY ASKING AS A JOKE!
WHAT CAN I SAY... I REALLY LOVE HER OVERREACTIONS..
I'M NOT SURE WHAT YOU DID BUT WOULDN'T BE GOOD TO GO AND APOLOGIZE?
YEAH, YOU ARE RIGHT.

!
ACARIA!
SHHH!
YOU KNOW...
EH ...?
SOMEONE IS HERE
HMM?

BANDITS?
I DON'T KNOW...
BUT WE CAN NEVER BE TOO CAREFUL.
YOU ARE RIGHT...
...
?
MA-TORII!
THUMP
!
SWOOSH

WHAT?!
DIROS!
PLING
SLASH
THUMP
ARGH!
OOH... IT HIT...
NICE, ACARIA!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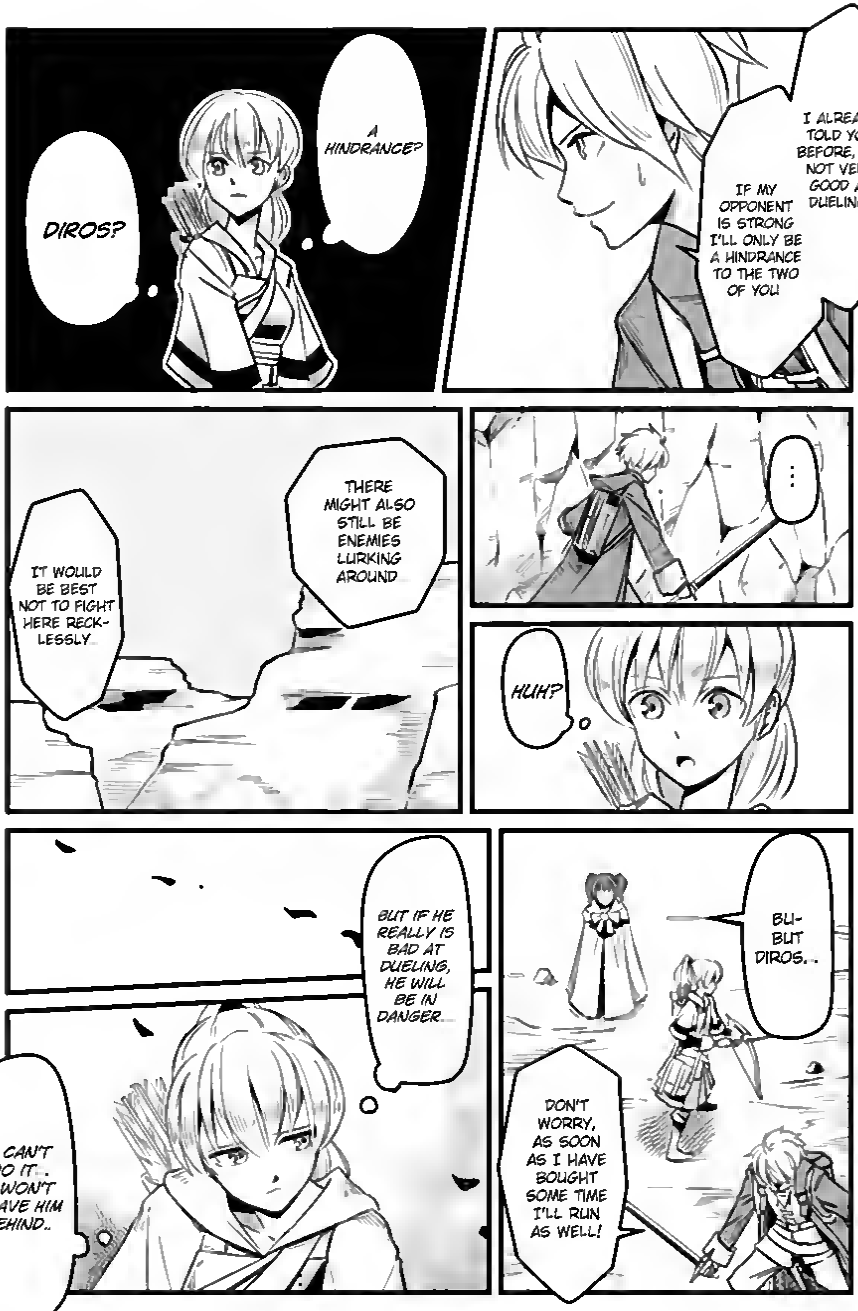
KYAAA!
BANDITS ... THIS IS A PROBLEM...
AAAH!
HIYA HIYAA!
HIYA!
HIYAA!?
THANK YOU!
NO PROBLEM

HAHAHA! SOME LONG AWAITED PREY IS HERE!
I WAS GOING TO KILL YOU AND STRIP YOU OF YOUR BELONGINGS BUT..
GEHEHE... THAT IS A PRETTY FACE...
ACARIA, HE IS AFTER YOU IT SEEMS...
IF YOU SURRENDER QUIETLY I'LL LET YOUR FRIENDS LEAVE WITH THEIR LIVES, HEHE.
I'LL BUY SOME TIME WHILE THE TWO OF YOU GET AWAY FROM HERE
WHA- WHAT ARE YOU SAYING!?


A HINDRANCE?
DIROS?
I ALREADY TOLD YOU BEFORE, I'M NOT VERY GOOD AT DUELING
IF MY OPPONENT IS STRONG I'LL ONLY BE A HINDRANCE TO THE TWO OF YOU
THERE MIGHT ALSO STILL BE ENEMIES LURKING AROUND
IT WOULD BE BEST NOT TO FIGHT HERE RECK-LESSLY
...
HUH?
BUT IF HE REALLY IS BAD AT DUELING, HE WILL BE IN DANGER
I CAN'T DO IT.. I WON'T LEAVE HIM BEHIND..
BU-BUT DIROS..
DON'T WORRY, AS SOON AS I HAVE BOUGHT SOME TIME I'LL RUN AS WELL!

I WILL ATTACK THE BIG GUY. ONCE I DO, YOU RUN.
AL-RIGHT?
N-NO!
IF SOMEONE IS GOING TO BUY TIME, I'LL DO IT!
THE TWO OF YOU WILL RUN!
ACARIA ..
I DON'T WANT TO KEEP BEING PROTECTED FOREVER...
IT'S FOR TIMES LIKE THESE THAT WE TEAMED UP, RIGHT? DIROS?
YOU ARE THINKING ABOUT RUNNING, RIGHT?! I WON'T LET YOU!
CRAP!

Ahahaha! Oh Acaria! Ahaha!
SO- SORRY! I'M REALLY SORRY!
ACARIA, DON'T MIND!
....
OI! YOU WILL ONLY BE LAUGHING FOR A LITTLE LONGER!
GUYS!
HIYA!
KILL THE GIRLS AND CAPTURE THE GUY ALIVE!
HIYA!
WHAAT!?

WA-! WAIT JUST A MOMENT!
WHY DO YOU WANNA CAPTURE ME ALIVE?!
YOU JUST SAID SOMETHING ABOUT A PRETTY FACE...?
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WHA- WHAT'S WITH THAT LAUGH...
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THE WORLD IS REALLY FILLED WITH DIFFERENT PEOPLE..
INDEED ...
JUMP
スッ

MA-
TORII!
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THUD
ゴォォォ!!
KYA!
ゴォォォォォ!!!
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